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DROPOUT DEFINITION

National Center for Education Statistics Glossary

Dropout

A Dropout is a student who:

- Was enrolled in a secondary school at some time during the previous school year and is not enrolled on October 1 of current school year; or
- Was not enrolled on October 1 of previous school year although expected to be in membership (i.e., was not reported as a dropout the year before); and
- Has not graduated from high school or completed a state or district approved educational program; and
- Does not meet any of the following exclusionary conditions:
 1. Transfer to another public school district, private school, or state or district approved educational programs;
 2. Temporary school recognized absence due to suspension or illness; or
 3. Death.

Students who failed to report for class at the beginning of a school year are considered to be dropouts for the year in which they do not report.

SECONDARY DROPOUT TABLE
1992-1993 to 1993-1994

School Year	Secondary Enrollment	Student Dropouts	Dropout Percent Of Enrollment
1992-1993	9,913	479	4.8
1993-1994	9,844	249	2.5